

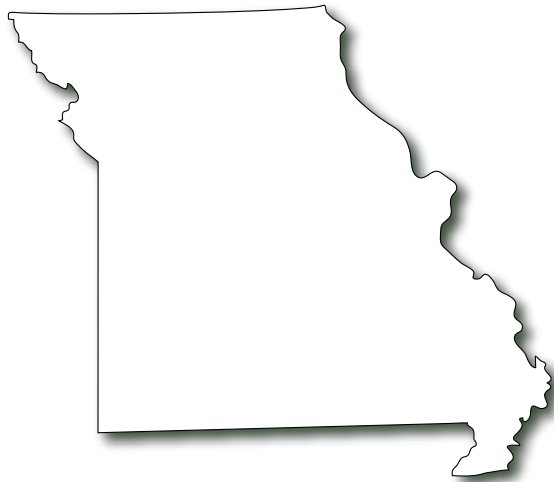
**2020**  
**Minutes**  
**and Related Information**

of the

**Ninety-Third Annual Meeting**

of the

**Baptist Missionary Association**  
**of Missouri**



Held with the

**Zion Baptist Church**

St. Louis, Missouri

October 10, 2020

# **2020 Minutes and Related Information**

of the

## **Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri**

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### **Officers and Meetings for 2021**

President . . . . . Jerry Adams  
Vice-President . . . . . Ben Kingston  
Recording Secretary . . . . . Don Burke  
Assistant Recording Secretary . . . . . Matt Bolen

### **2021 Missions Symposium Semi-Annual Meeting**

**New Testament Baptist Church  
Sullivan, Missouri**

**May 14 @ 7:00 pm — May 15 @ 9:00 am**

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### **2021 Annual Meeting**

**Faith Baptist Church  
St. Charles, Missouri**

**October 9 @ 9:00 am**

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<b>Year</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>President</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Sermon</b>
1928	Potosi	M.M. Hamlin	A.H. Dorman	Ben M. Bogard
1929	Sullivan	W.A. Gilbert	A.H. Dorman	W.E. Counts
1930	Antioch	C.D. Crites	A.H. Dorman	C.D. Crites
1931	White Oak Grove	C.D. Crites	A.H. Dorman	A. Studyvin
1932	Mt. Enon	C.D. Crites	A.H. Dorman	Ben F. Nall
1933	Oak Grove	C.D. Crites	E.S. Ray	C.W. Penrod
1934	Potosi	M.B. Hubbard	E.S. Ray	M.L. Winters
1935	Sullivan	M.B. Hubbard	E.S. Ray	M.B. Hubbard
1936	Mt. Pleasant	M.B. Hubbard	C.A. Darst	A.D. Bennett
1937	Mt. Arrat	L.H. Owens	C.A. Darst	L.H. Owens
1938	Independence	L.H. Owens	W.S. Gordon	C.A. Darst
1939	White Oak Grove	L.H. Owens	W.S. Gordon	H.F. Gunn
1940	Bethel	L.H. Owens	W.S. Gordon	Sol Gibson
1941	Mt. Pleasant	H.F. Gunn	W.S. Gordon	G.E. Jones
1942	Independence	C.D. Barton	W.S. Gordon	W.S. Gordon
1943	Potosi	C.D. Barton	W.S. Gordon	G.W.Hawthorne
1944	Mt. Zion	L.H. Owens	W.S. Gordon	H.W. Darst
1945	Independence	C.A. Darst	W.S. Gordon	E.C. Endicott
1946	Galena, Kansas	C.A. Darst	W.S. Gordon	F.E. Gimlin
1947	Kewanee	C.A. Darst	W.S. Gordon	J.F. McClain
1948	Independence	C.A. Darst	W.S. Gordon	G.W. Fox
1949	Galena, Kansas	C.A. Darst	W.S. Gordon	R.A. Brand
1950	Bethel	C.A. Darst	W.S. Gordon	C. McClain
1951	Potosi	C.A. Darst	G.W. Fox	E.C. Endicott
1952	Ellington	C.A. Darst	G.W. Fox	J.F. McClain
1953	Chambers Park	C.A. Darst	W.R. Speer	W.R. Speer
1954	Bethel	C.A. Darst	W.R. Speer	E.V. Davis
1955	Neelyville	C.A. Darst	W.R. Speer	H.C. Pape
1956	Potosi	W.R. Speer	Elmer Shults	R.E. Jordan
1957	Cave Springs	O.A. Robinson	Elmer Shults	H.M. Dry
1958	West Plains	O.A. Robinson	Cecil Burgess	Cecil Burgess
1959	Chambers Park	R.P. Mitchell	Elmer Shults	Jurl Mitchell
1960	Immanuel	R.P. Mitchell	Elmer Shults	C.A. Darst
1961	Ellington	G.W. Fox	N.J. Gibson	G.W. Fox
1962	Van Buren	G.W. Fox	G.W. Hawthorne	Noel Meade
1963	West Plains	E.F. Gibson	G.W. Hawthorne	G.W. Fox
1964	Bethel, Potosi	E.F. Gibson	Elmer Shults	R.P. Mitchell
1965	Mt. Zion	C.A. Darst	Elmer Shults	Harold Condray
1966	Independence	C.A. Darst	Charles Ray	C.A. Darst
1967	Northside	G.W. Fox	Charles Ray	Elmer Shults
1968	Friendship, IL	G.W. Fox	J.R. Courtney	J.R. Courtney
1969	Palmer Heights	R.P. Mitchell	J.R. Courtney	Ronald Fields
1970	Chambers Park	O.A. Robinson	N.J. Gibson	Thomas Foster
1971	Emmanuel	O.A. Robinson	Richard Britt	W.H. Newman
1972	Bethany	C.A. Darst	D.G. Fish	J.A. Brandon
1973	Friendship, IL	O.A. Robinson	D.G. Fish	J.A. Brandon
1974	Trinity, Florissant	O.A. Robinson	Richard Britt	W.H. Newman
1975	Bethany, St. Louis	G.W. Fox	Richard Britt	H.W. Darst
1976	Lighthouse, Malden	G.W. Fox	Dale G. Fish	J.E. Mason
1977	Bethel, Potosi	C.R. Curtman	Dale G. Fish	Richard Britt

<b>Year</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>President</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Sermon</b>
1978	Independence	W.H. Newman	Richard Britt	O.A. Robinson
1979	Bethany, St. Louis	W.H. Newman	Richard Britt	B.M. Ridlen
1980	Bethel, Sikeston	Jack Courtney	Dale G. Fish	Jack Courtney
1981	Zion, St. Louis	Jack Courtney	Dale G. Fish	Jerome Cooper
1982	Chambers Pk., St. Louis	E.F. Gibson	Dale G. Fish	Kenneth Gibson
1983	Bethel, Sikeston	E.F. Gibson	Dale G. Fish	Jack Courtney
1984	Bethany, St. Louis	Ron Fields	Dale G. Fish	Don Hoffmann
1985	Zion, St. Louis	Jerome Cooper	Dale G. Fish	Wayne Gibson
1986	Independence, Neelyville	Jerome Cooper	Dale G. Fish	Gene Gambill
1987	First, Hannibal	Gene Gambill	Dale G. Fish	Tom Foster
1988	Trinity, Florissant	Jim Lea	Dale G. Fish	Ron Fields
1989	Faith, St. Charles	Jim Lea	Dale G. Fish	Gary Lambright
1990	First, Hannibal	Tim Boatright	Dale G. Fish	Jim Kerr
1991	Bethel, Sikeston	Tim Boatright	Dale G. Fish	E.F. Gibson
1992	Zion, St. Louis	Gary Lambright	Dale G. Fish	Wexford Parmer
1993	Independence, Neelyville	Gary Lambright	Dale G. Fish	Glen W. Fox
1994	Faith, St. Charles	James Hoffmann	Dale G. Fish	Richard Britt
1995	Bethel, Sikeston	James Hoffmann	Dale G. Fish	S.P. Chitwood
1996	Zion, St. Louis	James Gosnell	F. A. Norris	J. Haguewood
1997	Lindsay Lane, Florissant	James Gosnell	F.A. Norris	John Beardsley
1998	Amity, Doniphan	Wayne Gibson	F.A. Norris	Tom McCanless
1999	Bethany, St. Louis	Wayne Gibson	D.R. Kirk	Kenneth Melton
2000	Emmanuel, Sikeston	Wayne Gibson	D.R. Kirk	Dr. Holmes
2001	Lindsay Lane, Florissant	Wayne Gibson	Mark Silvey	Jerry Adams
2002	Kewanee, Kewanee	Dale Fish	Mark Silvey	Tom McCanless
2003	First, Matthews	Dale Fish	Mark Silvey	Grady Higgs
2004	Lindsey Lane, Florissant	Dale Fish	Don Seat	Danny Kirk
2005	Kewanee, Kewanee	Dale Fish	Don Seat	E. Bowermann
2006	Landmark, DeSoto	Jerry Adams	Don Seat	Ted Hurley
2007	Zion, St. Louis	Jerry Adams	Don Seat	Lester Forman
2008	Bethel, Sikeston	Jerry Adams	Don Burke	Jerry Adams
2009	First, Potosi	Ray Thurman	Don Burke	J. Haguewood
2010	Bethel, Sikeston	Ray Thurman	Don Burke	Ben Kingston
2011	Bethany, St. Louis	Jamie Haguewood	Don Burke	Dan Wisely
2012	Kewanee, Kewanee	Jamie Haguewood	Don Burke	Ted Hurley
2013	Bethany, St. Louis	Claude Evans	Don Burke	Russell Chitwood
2014	Landmark, Desoto	Claude Evans	Don Burke	David Erickson
2015	Charity, Bismarck	Brian Meade	Don Burke	David Griggs
2016	Bethel, Sikeston	Brian Meade	Don Burke	Wayne Gibson
2017	Camp Garwood	Dale Fish	Don Burke	Ben Kingston
2018	Bethel, Lonedale	Dale Fish	Don Burke	Gene Hankins
2019	Bethel, Sikeston	Ben Kingston	Don Burke	Tom McCanless
2020	Zion, St. Louis	Ben Kingston	Don Burke	Bryan Buckley

## **Order of Business \***

Welcome and Devotional  
Call Meeting to Order & Messengers Seated  
Preliminary Enrollment Report, including Petitionary Letters  
Committee Reports  
Reports from Guests (Departments and Individuals)  
Dismiss for Missionary Committee Meeting  
Reconvene for Missions and Remaining Committee Reports  
Annual Message  
Lunch (if provided)  
Miscellaneous Business  
Resolutions Committee Report  
Final Enrollment Report  
Committee Assignments by Moderator  
Adjourn

\* This listing is provided as a suggested guideline only. The Moderator and Messenger Body are free to reorder agenda items as deemed best to fit time availabilities and other factors.

## **Missionary Committee**

Claude Evans . . . . . Chairman      Dennis Baker . . . . . Assistant Chairman  
Russell Chitwood . . . . . Clerk      Dan Wisely . . . . . Assistant Clerk

## **Special Missions Committee**

### **A Sub-Committee of Missionary Committee**

Dan Wisely (2021)      Claude Evans (2022)      Bryan Buckley (2023)  
Russell Chitwood (2024)      Brian Meade (2025)      Mike Hurst (2026)  
Don Burke (2026)

## **Publications Committee**

Denver Page (2021)      Jim Ainley (2022)      Don Burke (2023)

## **Encampment Committee**

Matt Baker (2021)      Brian Whitlock (2022)      Dan Wisely (2023)  
Joe McElroy (2024)      Jason Taylor (2025)

## **Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association, Inc.**

Dennis Baker      James Hoffmann      Don Adams  
Brian Whitlock      Matt Bolen

## **ALIVE Ministries Committee**

Brian Kingston (2021)      Joey Duckworth (2022)  
Brian Buckley (2023)      Kevin Smith (2024)

## **Resolutions Committee**

Benjamin Kingston      Matt Bolen      Mike Hurst

## Enrollment and Finance Committee

Russell Chitwood

Dan Wisely

Matt Bolen

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## Doctrinal Statement of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri

### I. GOD

There is one living and true God, the Creator of the universe (Ex. 15, Is. 45:11, Jer. 27:5). He is revealed in the unity of the Godhead as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, who are equal in every divine perfection (Ex. 15:11, Matt. 28:19, II Cor. 13:14).

A. God the Father is the supreme ruler of the universe. He providentially directs the affairs of history according to the purposes of His grace (Gen. 1, Ps. 19:1, Ps. 104, Heb. 1:1-3).

B. God the Son is the Savior of the world. Born of the virgin Mary (Matt. 1:18, Luke 1:26-35). He declared His deity among men (John 1:14, 18, Matt. 9:6), died on the cross as the only sacrifice for sin (Phil. 2:6-11), arose bodily from the grave (Luke 24:6, 7, 24-26, I Cor. 15:3-6), and ascended back to the Father (Acts 1:9-11, Mark 16:19). He is at the right hand of the Father, interceding for believers (Rom. 8:34, Heb. 7:25) until He returns to rapture them from the world (Acts 1:11, I Thess. 4:16-18).

C. God the Holy Spirit is the manifest presence of deity. He convicts of sin (John 16:8-11), teaches spiritual truths according to the written Word (John 16:12-15), permanently indwells believers (Acts 5:32, John 14:16, 17, 20, 23), and confers on every believer at conversion the ability to render effective spiritual service (I Peter 4:10,11).

## **II. THE SCRIPTURES**

A. The Scriptures are God's inerrant revelation, complete in the Old and New Testaments, written by divinely inspired men as they were moved by the Holy Spirit (II Tim. 3:16, II Peter 1:21). Those men wrote not in words of human wisdom but in words taught by the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 2:13).

B. The Scriptures provide the standard for the believer's faith and practice (II Tim. 3:16,17), reveal the principles by which God will judge all (Heb. 4:12, John 12:48), and express the truth basis of Christian fellowship (Gal. 1:8,9, II John 9-11).

## **III. CREATION**

A. The World — God created all things for His own pleasure and glory, as revealed in the biblical account of creation (Gen. 1, Rev. 4:11, John 1:2,3, Col. 1:16).

B. The Angels — God created an innumerable host of spirit beings called angels. Holy angels worship God and execute His will; while fallen angels serve Satan, seeing to hinder God's purposes (Col. 1:16, Luke 20:35, 36, Matt. 22:29,30, Ps. 103:20, Jude 6).

C. Man — As the crowning work of His creation, God created humankind (male and female) in His own image (Ps. 8; Gen. 1:27; 2:7). Consequently, every person from conception is of inherent dignity and worth and merits the respect of all other persons (Ps. 51:5; 139:13-16; Gen. 9:6; Matt. 10:28-31; James 3:9).

D. Marriage — God created marriage, and intends it as an inseparable union to be held in high esteem (Gen. 1:27-28; 2:23-24; Matt. 19:4-6; Heb. 13:4). Marriage is exclusively between a male and a female (i.e. a natural man and a natural woman), with each having unique roles and responsibilities (Rom. 1:25-27; I Cor. 6:9; Eph. 5:22-33; I Tim. 1:10; Heb. 13:4). Marriage testifies of the union between Christ and the church (Eph. 5:31-32).

## **IV. SATAN**

Satan is a person rather than a personification of evil (John 8:44), and he with his demons opposes all that is true and godly by blinding the world to the gospel (II Cor. 4:3,4), tempting saints to do evil (Eph. 6:11, I Peter 5:8), and warring against the Son of God (Gen. 3:15, Rev. 20:1-10).

## **V. DEPRAVITY**

Although man was created in the image of God (Gen. 1:26, 2:17), he fell through sin and that image was marred (Rom. 5:12, James 3:9). In his unregenerate state, he is void of spiritual life, is under the influence of the devil, and lacks any power to save himself (Eph. 2:1-3, John 1:13). The sin nature has been transmitted to every member of the human race, the man Jesus Christ alone being excepted (Rom. 3:23, I Peter 2:22). Because of the sin nature, man possesses no divine life and is essentially and unchangeably depraved apart from divine grace (Rom. 3:10-19, Jer. 17:9).

## **VI. SALVATION**

A. The Meaning of Salvation — Salvation is the gracious work of God whereby He delivers undeserving sinners from sin and its results (Matt. 1:21, Eph. 2:8,9). In justification He declares righteous all who put faith in Christ as Savior (Rom. 3:20-22), giving them freedom from condemnation, peace with God, and full assurance of future glorification (Rom. 3:24-26).



B. The Way of Salvation — Salvation is based wholly on the grace of God apart from works (Titus 3:5, Eph. 2:9). Anyone who will exercise repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ will be saved (Acts 16:30-32, Luke 24:47, Rom. 10:17).

C. The Provision of Salvation — Christ died for the sins of the whole world (John 1:29, 3:16, I John 2:1,2). Through his blood, atonement is made without respect of persons (I Tim. 2:4-6). All sinners can be saved by this gracious provision (Heb. 2:9, John 3:18).

## VII. SECURITY

All believers are eternally secure in Jesus Christ (John 10:24-30), Rom. 8:35-39). They are born again (John 3:3-5, I John 5:1, I Peter 1:23), made new creatures in Christ (II Cor. 5:17, II Peter 1:4), and indwelt by the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:9, I John 4:4), enabling their perseverance in good works (Eph. 2:10). A special providence watches over them (Rom. 8:28, I Cor. 10:13), and they are kept by the power of God (Phil. 1:6, 2:12,13, I Peter 1:3-5, Heb. 13:5).

## VIII. CHURCH

A. The Nature of the Church — A New Testament Church is a local congregation (Acts 16:5, I Cor. 4:17) of baptized believers in Jesus Christ (Acts 2:41) who are united by covenant in belief of what God has revealed and in obedience to what He has commanded (Acts 2:41, 42).

B. The Autonomy of the Church — She acknowledges Jesus as her only Head (Eph. 5:23, Col. 1:18) and the Holy Bible as her only rule of faith and practice (Is. 8:20, II Tim. 3:16, 17), governing herself by democratic principles (Acts 6:1-6, I Cor. 5:1-5) under the oversight of her pastors (Acts 20:28, Heb. 13:7, 17, 24).

C. The Perpetuity of the Church — Instituted by Jesus during His personal ministry on earth (Matt. 16:18, Mark 3:13-19, John 1:35-51), true churches have continued to the present and will continue until Jesus returns (Matt. 16:18, 28:20).

D. The Ordinances of the Church — Her two ordinances are baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism is the immersion in water of a believer as a confession of his faith in Jesus Christ (Matt. 28:19, Rom. 6:4), and is prerequisite to church membership and participation in the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:41, 42). The Lord's Supper is the sacred sharing of the bread of communion and the cup of blessing by the assembled church (Acts 20:7) as a memorial to the crucified body and shed blood of Jesus Christ (Luke 22:19, 20, I Cor. 11:23-26). Both ordinances must be administered by the authority of a New Testament church (Matt. 28:18-20, I Cor. 11:23-26).

E. The Officers of the Church — Pastors and deacons are the permanent officers divinely ordained in a New Testament church (Phil. 1:1). Each church may select men of her choice to fill those offices under the leading of the Holy Spirit (Acts 6:1-6, 20:17,18) according to the divinely given qualifications (I Tim. 3:1-13).

Pastors (elders, bishops) are authorized to oversee and teach the churches under the Lordship of Jesus Christ (Acts 20:28, Heb. 13:7,17,24, I Peter 5:1-4). Each church is responsible to follow them as they follow Christ (I Cor. 11:1, I Thess. 1:6, Heb. 13:17) and to provide a livelihood for them that they might fulfill their ministries (I Tim 5:17,18, Phil. 4:15-18). Pastors are equal in the service of God (Matt. 23:8-12).

Deacons (ministers, servants) are servants of the churches and assistants to the pastors, particularly in benevolent ministries. Each church may select her own deacons according to her needs, and no church is bound by the act of another church in that selection (Acts 6:1-6).

F. The Ministry of the Church — Her mission is evangelizing sinners by preaching the gospel (Matt. 28:19, Luke 24:45-47), baptizing those who believe (Acts 2:41, 8:12, 35-38), and maturing them by instruction (Matt. 28:20, Acts 2:42) and discipline (Matt. 18:17, 18, I Cor. 5:1-5).

G. The Fellowship of the Church — She is free to associate with true churches in furthering the faith (II Cor. 11:8, Phil. 4:10, 15, 16), but is responsible to keep herself from those who hold doctrines or practices contrary to Holy Scripture (Gal. 1:8,9, I John 2:19). In association with other churches, each church is equal and is the sole judge of the measure and method of her cooperation (Matt. 20:25-28). In all matters of polity and practice, the will of each church is final (Matt. 18:18).

## **IX. CIVIL AUTHORITY**

Human government was instituted by God to protect the innocent and punish the guilty. It is separate from the church, though both church and state exercise complementary ministries for the benefit of society (Matt. 22:21).

Christians should submit to the authority of the government under which they live, obeying all laws which do not contradict the laws of God, respecting officers of government, paying taxes, rendering military service, and praying for the welfare of the nation and its leaders (Rom. 13:1-7, I Peter 2:13, 17, I Tim. 2:1,2). They should vote, hold office, and exercise influence to direct the nation after the principles of Holy Scripture.

Civil authority is not to interfere in matters of conscience or disturb the institutions of religion (Acts 4:18-20), but it should preserve for every citizen the free exercise of his religious convictions.

Churches should receive no subsidy from the government, but they should be exempt from taxation on property and money used for the common good through worship, education or benevolence.

## **X. LAST THINGS**

A. Return — Our risen Lord will return personally in bodily form to receive His redeemed unto Himself. His return is imminent (I Thess. 4:13-17, Rev. 22:20).

B. Resurrections — After Jesus returns, all of the dead will be raised bodily, each in his own order: The righteous dead in “the resurrection of life” and the wicked dead in “the resurrection of damnation” (John 5:24-29, I Cor. 15:20-28).

C. Judgments — Prior to the eternal state, God will judge everyone to confer rewards or to consign to punishment (Matt. 25:31-46, II Cor. 5:10, Rev. 20:11-15).

D. Eternal States — Heaven is the eternal home of the redeemed (John 14:1-3) who, in their glorified bodies (I Cor. 15:51-58), will live in the presence of God forever (I Thess. 4:17) in ultimate blessings (Rev. 21, 22).

Hell is the place of eternal punishment and suffering (Luke 16:19-31) for the devil, his angels (Matt. 25:41), and the unredeemed (Rev. 20:10-15).

## **ADDENDUM**

NOTE: The following statements are not to be binding upon churches already affiliated with this association, or to require adoption by churches petitioning this body for privilege of cooperation, or to be a test of fellowship between brethren or churches. However, they do express the preponderance of opinion among the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

1. We believe in the pre-millennial return of Christ to the earth, after which He shall reign in peace upon the earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:4-6).

2. We believe the Scriptures to teach two resurrections: the first of the righteous at Christ's coming; the second of the wicked at the close of the thousand-year reign (I Thess. 4:13-17, Rev. 20:6, 12-15).

We endorse the New Hampshire Confession of Faith as a representative compendium of what Baptists have historically believed through the centuries. This confession was consulted and provided a pattern and guide for the formulation of these doctrinal statements. As there are several versions and editions, we refer particularly to the edition in J.E. Cobb's Church Manual third-edition, published by the Baptist Publications Committee of Texarkana, Texas.

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# **By-Laws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri**

## **Article I — Name**

The name of this corporation shall be the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri and shall be referred to herein as the Association.

## **Article II — Purpose**

The purpose of this Association is to encourage and provide a medium for cooperative Christian activity among the churches, to promote missions on the New Testament basis, to stimulate interest in Christian education and Christian literature, and to initiate other work in harmony with the Master's will for His churches.

## **Article III — Membership**

1. This Association is composed of Missionary Baptist Churches which are in sympathy with its doctrines, purpose and work, and which are Scriptural in origin, doctrine, and practice as defined in our Doctrinal Statement.
2. Any church desiring to cooperate in this Association shall send a petitionary letter, accompanied with satisfactory testimony of her regularity, order, orthodoxy, and willingness to work in harmony with the principles of this Association. All churches shall be received by a majority vote at any meeting of the Association. This Association reserves the right to withdraw fellowship from any church she may deem heterodox or disorderly.
3. Any church not identifying with this Association either by messenger or letter for three consecutive years shall be considered as having terminated her membership in this Association.

## **Article IV — Meetings**

1. Messengers of the churches in this Association shall hold annual and semi-annual sessions.

- A. The annual session shall convene on the second Saturday of October at 9:00 a.m. The host pastor shall be in charge of planning the worship service. If needed, the meeting will continue after the noon break until all business is completed.
  - B. The semi-annual session shall convene on the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m.
  - C. The program for the semi-annual session, except for business, shall be prepared by the moderator of the Association, the Director of Missions, and the pastor of the host church.
  - D. An Annual Mission Symposium shall be held on Friday before the semi-annual meeting in May. The Director of Missions shall prepare the program in consultation with the host pastor.
2. Each church in this Association is entitled to three messengers chosen from her membership, whose qualifications shall be determined by the churches electing them.
  3. Unless otherwise provided for all questions shall be decided by a majority vote.
  4. The presiding officer shall decide all points of order and shall maintain order. Any messenger may appeal the chair's decision to the messenger body.
  5. Each messenger desiring to speak, shall rise, address the chair, and after recognition speak respectfully.
  6. A special meeting of the Association may be called by the Moderator of the Association. (In the absence of the Moderator a meeting may be called by the next available ranking Operational Officer.) An attempt must be made to notify all churches at least two weeks prior to the meeting, and that notification should include the main agenda item(s). All business conducted at that meeting must be limited to the specified purpose(s).

#### **Article V — Administration**

1. All officers and all committee members shall be members of churches of this Association.
2. Departmental officers and committee members shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in performance of their duties. The mileage rate shall be the current IRS allowable per mile. Reimbursement shall come from their respective department funds.
3. All treasurers of this association shall make quarterly reports through the Missouri Missionary Baptist, a brief report at the semi-annual meeting and a full total itemized report of all receipts and disbursements at the annual meeting, and to be made available at the enrollment table at the time the messengers enroll.
4. The chairman of each committee that has a financial account will verify the funds in that account before the annual association meeting.

#### **Article VI — Officers**

1. This Association shall have two types of officers: Operational Officers and Corporation Officers.
2. Operational Officers are the primary officers of the Association and shall function as the default for normal operations and points of contact for this Association. Their duties shall be such as usually devolve on such officers of a deliberative body.

3. Operational Officers shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Recording Clerk, and Assistant Recording Clerk. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator shall be elected at each annual session by nomination and acclamation, to assume office at the close of the current annual meeting. These shall not hold the same office more than two consecutive years.
4. The Clerk and the Assistant Clerk shall be elected at the annual session by nomination and acclamation, to assume office at the beginning of the semi-annual session. The Clerk shall hold all money which is designated for minute fund and secretary hire and shall disburse it as the Association directs.
5. Corporation Officers shall serve only to facilitate situations requiring the involvement of the Association in its corporation capacity, including but not limited to financial, real estate, and contractual matters.
6. Corporation Officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. These offices shall be filled by those holding the following positions within the Association:
  - President – Director of Missions
  - Vice-President – Director of Encampment
  - Secretary – Association Recording Clerk
  - Treasurer – President of Loan Association
7. All officers shall be authorized, within their area of responsibility, to sign contracts and other documents, and handle other matters in the normal course of Association-approved endeavors. However, no officer is authorized at any time to speak or act as an authority on behalf of the Association for any matter to which the Association has not directly spoken.

## **Article VII — Committees**

### *1. Missionary Committee*

- A. There shall be a Missionary Committee composed of one committeeman from each church, duly elected by the church in which he holds membership; such committee shall annually elect a chairman, assistant chairman, clerk, and assistant clerk.
  - i. The Missionary Committee shall act as an executive in its field between meetings of the association to: 1) elect new personnel at the direction of the Association; 2) fill vacancies on the missions staff; and 3) resolve problems relating to missions.
  - ii. The Missionary Committee shall meet in conjunction with the annual and the semi-annual meetings of the Association, and meet between meetings of the Association at the call of the chairman, providing a two week notice to the churches. This committee shall report at the annual and semi-annual meetings of the Association.
- B. There shall be a subcommittee known as the Special Missions Committee, composed of seven members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve seven-year terms. This committee shall serve the Missionary Committee in matters pertinent to the missions program of the Association, and shall serve as the Chaplaincy Committee.
- C. Missionaries, the Director of Missions, and an unsalaried assistant Director of Missions may be nominated and elected at any session of the Association, and shall be reviewed at each annual meeting of the Association.
- D. The missions program shall operate as outlined in the Missions Policy Handbook.

## *2. Publications Committee*

- A. There shall be a Missouri Baptist Publications Committee composed of three members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve three-year terms. This committee shall be responsible for the publication of The Missouri Missionary Baptist.
- B. An editor and an assistant editor shall be elected annually, the editor's salary being determined by the messengers.
- C. The editor shall also serve as business manager of The Missouri Missionary Baptist and shall annually give a complete financial report.

## *3. ALIVE Ministries Committee*

- A. There shall be an ALIVE Ministries Committee composed of four members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve four-year terms. This committee shall work with any duly elected committees from other BMA Associations, to plan and coordinate an annual ALIVE Conference. A fund shall be maintained for ALIVE Ministries projects.

## *4. Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Committee*

- A. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall have a ministry called the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund, administered by the Seminary Student Grant (SSG) Committee.
- B. The SSG Committee shall be composed of the chairman of each standing committee, the Editor of the Missouri Missionary Baptist, and the Director of Missions. The expenses of each committeeman shall be paid out of the general fund of the department he represents.
- C. The purpose of this committee is to provide financial aid to men of the BMA of Missouri who have been called to preach and who are attending, or plan to attend, the BMATS in Jacksonville, Texas.
- D. Solicitation of Funds. The Seminary Student Grant Committee shall solicit funds from individuals and churches to be distributed among eligible recipients in a fair and equitable way as described in these bylaws. Expenses for solicitation of funds and for the promotion of this ministry shall not exceed five per cent of funds received.
- E. Eligibility for Grant. To be eligible for a grant the student must (a) be accepted by BMATS (b) hold membership in a church cooperating with the BMA of Missouri at the time of application (c) maintain membership in a church affiliated with the BMA of America (d) receive a letter of recommendation from the church in which he holds membership (e) maintain good moral conduct (f) exhibit doctrinal soundness, signing a statement of belief of the doctrinal statement of the BMA of Missouri.
- F. Maintaining Eligibility. A student does not need to reapply each year to be eligible for continued support; however, the committee shall make an evaluation at the end of each school year to determine that all conditions of the grant have been met. The student must (a) maintain a 2.5 GPA (b) complete at least nine hours of credit each semester (not applicable to those in the "Masters in Motion" program) (c) continue in good moral conduct (d) continue in doctrinal soundness. If a student fails to meet these eligibility standards he may be requested to pay back any or all funds received through the grant program, as determined by the committee.

- G. Grant amount. As funds are available grants will be given to qualified applicants in the following areas, within the stated limits:
  - i. Traditional On-Campus Grant: (a) up to \$1,000.00 of actual moving expenses for the initial move to Jacksonville, TX (b) the student's tuition each semester (c) up to \$300.00 per semester for books.
  - ii. Masters in Motion Grant: (a) the student's tuition each semester (b) up to \$300.00 per semester for books (c) Up to \$500 per school year for travel and lodging expenses for the times on-campus attendance is required (either at Jacksonville or another location set by the Seminary).
  - iii. Student in Need Grant: \$1,000 per school year may be granted to any student chosen by the Seminary President.
- H. Multiple applicants. (a) When more than one student has applied and there are insufficient funds to meet all requests, priority shall be given to student(s) already enrolled in the program. (b) When more than one new student has applied and there are insufficient funds for all students, the SSG Committee shall determine who shall receive a grant and the exact amount of the grant(s).
- I. Designated Money. Money given to this committee from individuals or churches may be designated for a particular student(s). If that student(s) fails to meet the eligibility requirements, the designated money shall be returned to the donor, or dispersed as directed by the donor upon written instruction.

#### 5. *Miscellaneous*

- A. No one who is an employee of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri may serve on a committee under whose supervision he may come.
- B. Each committee shall organize annually with such officers as it deems necessary.
- C. Any committeeman who is inactive for (1) one year shall be replaced the following year.
- D. The Moderator shall name the committee on finance and enrollment and the committee on resolutions to serve at the annual meeting.

### **Article VIII — Programs**

#### *1. Encampment and Youth Work*

- A. There shall be an Encampment Committee composed of five members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve five-year terms.
- B. The Encampment Committee shall maintain all property related to this department's functions and shall supervise all this department's activities and personnel.
- C. The Association shall annually elect a Camp Superintendent, Assistant Camp Superintendent, Camp Treasurer, and Assistant Camp Treasurer.
- D. The Encampment Committee, camp superintendent and assistant camp superintendent shall make plans for the annual encampment which shall begin at 5:00 p.m. on the last Monday in July, and end after breakfast on the following Friday.
- E. The camp superintendent shall supervise the overall activities of the encampment as directed by the Encampment Committee.
- F. The Encampment Committee shall approve all use of the camp grounds.
- G. The Encampment Treasurer shall maintain all funds to be used as needed to provide money for all BMA of Missouri Camps. These funds may also be used for State Youth Meetings as approved by the Encampment Committee.

## 2. *Loan Program*

### ***Bylaws of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association, Inc.***

#### **Section I — Purpose**

The purpose of the Loan Program of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri is to provide financial services to Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches. Financial services provided by the loan program include:

1. Financing for approved Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri mission projects.
2. Loans to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches for maintenance, remodeling, repairs, and new construction of buildings used for worship and education. Loans are subject to a negotiated interest rate with a loan limitation \$50,000 and payment terms no greater than ten (10) years. Loans must be secured with a Quick-Claim Deed of Trust that states, “If the church defaults on the loan, the church ceases to exist, or the church ceases to be a member in good standing with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or its successors, the ownership of the property and buildings described on the Deed of Trust will be transferred to the ownership of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. It shall be the responsibility of the borrower to maintain the property and buildings and to provide liability and property insurance that includes the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri as lender.
3. Grants to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches for maintenance, remodeling and repairs of worship buildings.
4. Loans to local associations affiliated with Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri for local mission building projects.
5. Receiving and transferring of property and buildings owned by established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches.
6. Buying and selling property and buildings owned by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, established churches, and mission projects of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
7. Short term loans to departments of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or local associations affiliated with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
8. Financial counseling.

#### **Section II — Ownership**

1. The Loan Program of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri (The “Loan Program”) is the cooperative work of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri and shall be presided over by the Loan Committee.
2. The Loan Program is a continuation of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association as a separate not for profit corporation of the State of Missouri and all books, records, loans, and related documents previously held by the Missouri Missionary Loan Association shall be retained by the Loan Committee.

#### **Section III — Officers**

1. The officers of the Loan Committee shall be elected from the messenger body of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri during semi or annual session.



2. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a president, vice president, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer, and assistant treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of five years and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
3. The president shall preside at all meetings and have general supervision of the affairs of the Loan Program; shall sign all contracts, and other instruments of the corporation as authorized by the messengers of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri; shall make reports to the messengers of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri; and shall perform all such duties as are incident to his or her office. In the absence or disability of the president, the vice president shall exercise all his or her functions.
4. The secretary shall issue notices of all meetings; shall keep minutes of such meetings; shall have charge of the Loan Program records; shall sign such instruments as require his or her signature; and shall make such reports and perform such other duties as are incident to his or her office. In the absence or disability of the secretary, the assistant secretary shall exercise all his or her functions.
5. The treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys and securities of the Loan Program, and shall keep regular books of account. He or she shall sign such instruments as require his or her signature, and shall make such reports and perform such other duties as are incident to his or her office. In the absence or disability of the treasurer the assistant treasurer shall exercise all his or her functions.

#### **Section IV — Correspondence**

Corporate correspondence should be sent to the then current address of the duly elected president of the Loan Program as given to the Baptist Missionary Association at the time of his or her election.

#### **Section V — Operational Bylaws**

1. The duly elected officers of the Loan Committee may, at the direction of the messenger body or Missionary Committee, buy and sell property and title shall be held and retained in the name of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
2. The duly elected officers of the Loan Committee shall work with the Special Missions Committee, the Director of Missions, and the missionary in locating and purchasing property, financing and erecting a first-unit type of building.  
The following points should be carefully considered in the planning, financing, and erecting of a first-unit building:
  - A. It should be of sufficient size to allow the mission to begin and grow toward self-sufficiency.
  - B. It should add value to surrounding properties, without binding the mission under a crippling long-term debt, and it should encourage the mission to become self-supporting.
  - C. It should be situated on the property and constructed in a manner that would not hinder any future permanent construction.
3. When sufficient funds are available, the Loan Program will provide financing for approved mission projects when the following requirements have been agreed to and a binding contract between the Loan Program and the applicant, known as

the sponsoring church and mission, has been drawn up. The sponsoring church and mission will furnish the Loan Committee a letter stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted for the approval of the binding contract. An officer of Loan Committee, the sponsoring church's pastor, clerk, and trustees and the mission's missionary shall sign binding contract.

- A. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall retain Warranty Deed until total indebtedness has been paid in full. A letter from the church stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted that they support the Doctrinal Statement, Statement of Principles of Cooperation, and Bylaws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or its successors. Letter must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
  - B. Binding contract shall include an interest-free schedule limited to ten years of repayment based on the financial circumstances of the mission at the time of loan application.
  - C. All loan applicants shall furnish adequate liability and property insurance. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall be made the joint insured and lien-holder on the policy. The insurance company shall be requested to notify the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri the date the policy coverage begins and ends.
  - D. If applicant becomes financially unable to meet scheduled loan payments or liability or property insurance payments, the applicant will immediately notify the president of the Loan Program. The president shall call a meeting of the duly elected officers to determine if payment schedule can be restructured or if other actions are necessary for the good of the applicant and the protection of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
  - E. Upon the tenth anniversary of the loan the applicant shall make application for a commercial loan for the balance of outstanding indebtedness to the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. If upon the tenth anniversary applicant is unable to secure a commercial loan, applicant may renegotiate an interest-bearing contract with the Loan Committee.
  - F. The applicant shall furnish quarterly financial records for the mission project (subject to audit) for review by the Loan Committee.
  - G. The applicant will meet with the Loan Committee's duly elected officers annually for revaluation of the scheduled payments. Payments with no interest may go down or up depending on financial condition.
  - H. For the purpose of clarification, a mission congregation shall be considered a "state mission project" even after it is organized into a New Testament church, so long as it is indebted to the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
4. Local associations affiliated with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri may apply for loans from the Loan Program for local mission projects. Applications are subject to the conditions outlined in these bylaws.
  5. The Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association is authorized to receive title for property and buildings of established churches cooperating with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri based on the following requirements.
    - A. A letter of request from the church stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted to request

- Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri to hold their church property title. The vote should take place after it has been announced and publicized in writing for at least thirty days prior to the date of voting.
- B. The request must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
  - C. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall not be responsible for any upkeep on property, buildings, equipment, payment of insurance, or building liability claims that may incur. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri and the church shall be joint-insured on liability and property insurance policies.
6. Any such property received by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, if still owned by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, may be transferred back to the church subject to the following terms and conditions.
    - A. A letter from the church stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted that they supported the Doctrinal Statement, Statement of Principles of Cooperation, and Bylaws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or its successors. Letter must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
    - B. A letter requesting that the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri transfer title to the church property back to the church. The vote should take place after it has been announced and publicized in writing for at least thirty days prior to the date of voting. Request must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
    - C. Request shall be made three months in advance of the requested date of transfer.
    - D. Any such property shall be transferred only after all financial obligations to the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri have been paid in full.
  7. Duly elected officers shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in performance of their duties. The mileage rate shall be the current IRS allowable per mile.
  8. The officers of the Loan Committee shall be authorized to negotiate contractual conditions, when legal, partnership, or other special circumstances, not included in these guidelines, occur.
  9. All fees incurred in the securing and transferring of property shall be collectable by the Loan Program from the loan applicant. Fees are defined as bank, recording, attorney, survey, inspections, architect, and any expense associated with securing, building, and releasing property. The Loan Program can pay such fees but the expense will be added to the applicant's loan balance.
  10. The Loan Program shall establish and maintain a Grant Fund for the purpose of helping established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches who are in need of immediate funds for needed maintenance, remodeling, and repairs of their worship buildings or for disaster relief. Such funds shall operate under the following guidelines.
    - A. The available funds shall be obtained by offerings from the churches and other entities of the Baptist Missouri Association of Missouri.
      1. Any and all support of this fund is voluntary.
      2. 90% of undesignated funds received by the Loan Program shall be credited to the Grant Fund with the other 10% credited to the Loan Program loan fund.

3. All designated funds will be deposited as designated.
4. These funds will accumulate until a need arises.
- B. To expedite the request, when a church is in need of a grant:
  1. They need to make their request known to the President of the Loan Program. He will contact the Loan Program Committee Members and they will make the decision on the request and set the amount of the grant.
  2. In the event a need arises the funds are unavailable this Committee will contact and seek funds from the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches in order to address the particular need of the church requesting funds.
- C. This grant is not a loan, but a gift to help in time of need.
- D. All transactions of this committee will be reported at the Semi-annual and Annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
11. Loans to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches and local associations affiliated with Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri are to be secured with a First Deed of Trust naming the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri as the lien-holder and recorded with the County Recorder where the property is located. All loan applicants shall furnish adequate liability and property insurance. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall be made the joint insured and lien-holder on the policy. The insurance company shall be requested to notify the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri the date the policy coverage begins and ends. The loan applicant will pay all bank fees, recording fees, title insurance, attorney fees, surveyor fees, building inspections, architectural fees, and any other expense associated with the loan. The loan will be interest-free for a period of five years after which a reasonable interest rate will be applied to any unpaid balance. If applicant incurs financial difficulty, applicant must contact the president of the Loan Program to resolve the issue and work out a payment schedule. Failure to work with the Loan Program could result in legal action necessary to collect the outstanding balance.
12. The Loan Program shall be authorized to make short term unsecured loans to departments of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. The director or president of the department must submit a written request stating the amount, reason for the loan, and plan for repayment to the president of the Loan Program for consideration of the Loan Committee. Approved loans may be distributed immediately and all transactions will be reported at the semi-annual and annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

### **Article IX — Departments**

1. *Women's Missionary Auxiliary.*
  - A. There shall be a department called the Women's Missionary Auxiliary of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
  - B. The purpose of this department is to encourage and aid in the organization of local and district W.M.A. and Youth Auxiliaries in the churches of this Association and to encourage a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in all phases of Christian work.
  - C. The General Statement of Principles for State Auxiliaries as outlined in the Manual for the Women's Missionary Auxiliaries of the Baptist Missionary Association of America shall be the guideline for the work of this department.

D. The activities of this department shall be reported at the annual meeting of this association.

2. *Brotherhood.*

A. There shall be a department called the Brotherhood Auxiliary of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

B. The activities of this department shall be reported at the annual meeting of the association.

C. The purpose of the department is addressed in the following mission statement, focus statement, and core values.

**Mission Statement**

The Brotherhood Auxiliary of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall promote Christian Fellowship, biblical leadership education, and mentoring for the older men and young men of our churches.

**Focus**

A. Provide positive encouragement and support through Christian fellowship.

B. Provide biblical leadership education that will encourage men to be leaders in their home and local church.

C. Provide education and opportunities for the older men to mentor the younger men.

**Core Values**

A. We value the biblical doctrine of the autonomy of the local church.

B. We value biblical instruction concerning Christian fellowship.

C. We value biblical instruction concerning the role of men in the home and local church.

D. We value biblical instruction concerning older men mentoring younger men.  
*II Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.*

**Article X — Amendments**

1. The Bylaws of this Association which accompany this statement of Principles may be changed in any session by a majority vote.

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**Camp Guidelines**

We recognize our camp grounds are a place where we are privileged to come and enjoy religious services, Christian fellowship and wholesome recreation. In light of these aims we respectfully ask that those in attendance adhere to the following rules and regulations as adopted by the BMA of Missouri. These rules are established and enforced for the honor of our Lord and safety of our campers.

**Goals and Aims**

To introduce our lost campers to Jesus and lead them to an eternal saving knowledge of his love.

- To worship our Lord in a natural and comfortable environment.
- To encourage Spiritual growth among the campers.
- To encourage young people to become active participants in the church and our associated work.
- To have good Christian fun!

### **Camp Rules**

That each church sending campers under the age of 20 provide proper adult supervision for them, at least one male for the boys and at least one lady for the girls.

Conduct on the camp grounds must reflect Christian standards.

The use of tobacco is prohibited anywhere on the camp grounds.

All campers are expected to be under the tabernacle when services are conducted unless special permission has been granted.

All campers are expected to attend class unless special permission has been granted.

When “lights out” has been signaled all campers are thereby confined to their quarters for the night. No one is allowed to wander the campground thereafter.

No camper, or campers, are allowed to leave the mowed areas designated for campers.

The use of tape and CD players is permitted only during the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., or the time designated by the trustees. All music must be Christian music and be played at a level that only includes those in that immediate area.

The camp trustees are entrusted to enforce these rules and their authority must be respected. Anyone who refuses to adhere to the rules may be dismissed if proper counseling fails.

### **Dress Code**

Shoes must be worn at all times outside the camper’s sleeping quarters.

T-shirts and caps worn must not promote alcohol, tobacco or display any undesirable messages. No cap or hats are permitted under the tabernacle at any time.

Knee-length shorts are permitted during day time activities.

Pants or dresses expressing modesty must be worn during evening activities.

Overall neatness of dress must prevail at all times, expressing godliness, being modest in nature.

Sponsors are responsible to enforce the camp dress code upon campers within your own church group, and are accountable to the camp director to enforce said rules.

— *Camp rules and dress code adopted by the BMA of Missouri, May 15, 2001*

# **The Ninety-Second Semi-Annual Meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri**

Convened at  
**New Testament Baptist Church – Sullivan, Missouri**  
**Saturday, May 16, 2020**

*Clerk's Note: Due to concerns and meeting limitations caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 Missions Symposium and Semi-Annual Meeting were cancelled.*

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## **Proceedings of the Ninety-Third Annual Meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri**

Convened at  
**Zion Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri**  
**Saturday, October 10, 2019 - 9:00 AM**  
Ben Kingston, Moderator • Don Burke, Clerk

*Clerk's Note: Due to concerns and meeting limitations caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, churches were requested to limit attendees to messengers only, and portions of the meeting were reduced or removed from the schedule.*

### **Morning Session**

1. After a congregational song the host pastor Bro. Dennis Baker welcomed the Association, and Bro. Chris Polk gave the morning devotional on *A Reminder of Who We are in Christ* (2 Cor 4:1-12).
2. Moderator Ben Kingston called the meeting to order.
3. The Enrollment Committee's preliminary report:
  - Total churches: 27
  - Messengers: 26
  - Churches represented by letter only: 3
  - Minute Fund offerings: \$1,875
  - Petitionary letters: 1M/S/P to adopt.
4. A petitionary letter was received from Westview Baptist Church of Jefferson City. M/S/P to accept the church into membership.
5. Publications Committee offered the following recommendations:
  - Reelect Bro. Jim Hoffmann editor;
  - Reelect Bro. Don Burke assistant editor;
  - Retain the editor's salary at \$800 per month, with half of that amount designated as business expenses;
  - Give a Christmas gift of a month's salary to the editor.M/S/P to approve.
6. Bro. Hoffmann gave editor's report for the Missouri Missionary Baptist. M/S/P to accept.
7. Bro. Chris Polk presented Encampment reports. M/S made "that we accept Bro. Polk's report and that we commend Bro. Chris and the Camp Committee for their decision to cancel the 2020 camp and that we pay the balance of the

- Camp's Loan [~\$6,500] with the Missionary Loan Fund and that we pay the Camp's insurance [\$6,000] for 2020-2021." Motion passed.
8. M/S/P to reelect Don Burke to Publication Committee (term ending 2023).
  9. M/S/P to reelect Jason Taylor to Camp Committee (term ending 2025).
  10. The Loan Association Reports were presented, including the following recommended change to the Association Bylaws (Article VIII, Section 2 (Loan Program), Sub-Section I (Purpose), Item 2):  
 Loans to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches for maintenance, remodeling, repairs, and new construction of buildings used for worship and education. Loans are subject to a negotiated interest rate with a loan limitation \$50,000 and payment terms no greater than ten (10) years. Loans must be secured with a Quick-Claim Deed of Trust that states, "If the church defaults on the loan, the church ceases to exist, or the church ceases to be a member in good standing with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or its successors, the ownership of the property and buildings described on the Deed of Trust will be transferred to the ownership of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. It shall be the responsibility of the borrower to maintain the property and buildings and to provide liability and property insurance that includes the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri as lender."  
 M/S/P to approve.
  11. Appreciation was expressed to Bro. Dennis Baker for his hard work in the Loan Program.
  12. Moderator called for any proposed by-law changes. No changes were presented.
  13. Bro. Brad Banderman presented ALIVE reports. M/S/P to adopt.
  14. M/S/P to reelect Bro. Kevin Smith to Alive committee, term ending 2024.
  15. M/S/P to reelect Bro. Chris Polk as Camp Superintendent and Treasurer, and Bro. Matt Bolen as the Assistant Camp Superintendent and Assistant Treasurer.
  16. Bro. Jim Hoffmann presented the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund report. M/S/P to accept report.
  17. Brotherhood Financial Report and President's Report were presented. M/S/P to adopt these.
  18. Sis. Sharon Page gave the WMA report. M/S/P to approve.
  19. Bro. Ben Kingston gave an oral report on the Renewal Retreat. M/S/P to cover half of the cost for the proposed 2021 meeting.
  20. Dr. Charley Holmes presented the work of the BMA Theological Seminary.
  21. M/S/P to give \$5,000 to the Seminary from the Missions Fund, allocated as follows: \$1,000 towards the effort to make *Associational Baptist Church Manual* available in Swahili for Tanzania; \$1,000 towards making the *Baptist Expositor* curriculum available for Tanzania; \$3,000 to help with the expenses of the Seminary's offer to send copies of the book *By What Standard?* (Ascol & Longshore) to all BMA of Missouri pastors.
  22. M/S/P to adjourn for Missions Committee meeting.

#### **First Afternoon Session**

23. The Association reconvened following the Missionary Committee meeting.
24. M/S/P to approve Missions Committee reports and business, including the following:
  - Bro. Ben Kingston elected as the Missions Director.



- The Missions Director’s salary be set at \$650 a month, with \$200 of that designated for clerical help.
  - Bro. Don Burke serve as Assistant Director of Missions.
  - Outgoing Director, Bro. James Hoffmann, be paid \$600 per month to assist Bro. Kingston for a three-month transition period starting in October 2020.
  - New director, old director and new clerk be given 1 month’s salary for Christmas bonus.
  - New Special Missions Committeemen elected as follows: Bro. Mike Hurst (term ending 2026, to replace Bro. Ben Kingston (elected as Missions Director)), Bro. Bryan Buckley (2023, to replace Bro. Dale Fish (resigned)), and Bro. Don Burke (2027).
25. Bro. Don Burke shared the clerk’s report. M/S/P to approve.
  26. M/S/P to retain the clerk hire at \$1,300.
  27. Resolutions Committee gave their report.
  28. M/S/P to give outgoing Missions Director James Hoffmann a gift of \$200 per year for his 6 years of service (\$1,200 total).
  29. Bros. Benjamin Kingston, Matt Bolen, Mike Hurst were appointed as the 2021 Resolutions Committee.
  30. The Enrollment Committee reported these final figures:
    - Churches represented: 25
    - Total messengers: 45
    - Churches represented by letter only: 3
    - Total minute fund offering: \$2,050
 M/S/P to approve.
  31. The moderator appointed the same members to the 2021 Enrollment Committee – Bros. Russell Chitwood, Dan Wisely, Matt Bolen.
  32. M/S/P to elect Bro. Jerry Adams as Moderator.
  33. M/S/P to elect Bro. Ben Kingston as Assistant Moderator.
  34. M/S/P to retain Clerk and Assistant Clerk.
  35. M/S/P to accept an invitation from Faith at St. Charles to host the 2021 annual Association meeting.
  36. M/S/P to go to New Testament at Sullivan for the 2021 Missions Symposium and Semi-Annual Meeting.
  37. Bro. Bryan Buckley gave a closing devotional on *Thoughts on 2020*, taken from 1 Samuel 24.
  38. Bro. Dan Wisely expressed appreciation on behalf of the Association to Bros. Chris Polk and Bryan Buckley for the morning devotionals.
  39. Dismissal prayer.

## **BMA of Missouri**

### **Missions Director Annual Report 2020**

This Associational Year (October 2019 thru September 2020) uncertainty, disappointment, and a call for great faith in our God, who is in control of all things.

The uncertainty of the pandemic around the world caused many changes in how, when, and where we worship our Great God. The disappointment of making changes that we had never thought possible disrupted many people in various ways and through it all our faith has grown as we see God doing what only God can do in

the midst of turmoil and confusion!

Through it all, God has saved souls and provided needs in many ways as men, women, boys and girls have turned to Him for the answers to questions each day.

We are ready to elect a new Missions Director at this meeting. I want to express my appreciation for the prayers and cooperation I have received during the six years I have worked with the Special Missions Committee as Missions Director We did not see what we had hoped in these years, but God has blessed as we have done our best for Him.

Please pray for our new Director and cooperate with him as he leads us in seeing churches planted in Missouri and in seeing churches strengthened and doing more for the Lord. I believe he will seek God’s will in all that he does.

I thank you for the confidence that has been shown to me by letting me serve in this capacity since 2015. Let’s pray that this year will be our best year in Missions in Missouri!

– James Hoffmann, Director

## **BMA of Missouri Missions Department Offerings** **October 1, 2019 – October 1, 2020**

**Checking Account Balance, October 1, 2019 \$32,732.89**

**Income**

Amity, Doniphan . . . . .	\$ 700.65
Berean, Festus . . . . .	1,339.48
Bethel, Lonedell . . . . .	5,837.00
Bethel, Sikeston . . . . .	2,227.46
Bethlehem, Doniphan. . . . .	300.00
Black Creek, Poplar Bluff . . . . .	612.00
Fellowship, Potosi . . . . .	600.00
First, Matthews. . . . .	300.00
First, Potosi . . . . .	275.00
Grandview, Springfield . . . . .	5,125.00
Kewanee, Kewanee . . . . .	1,750.00
Landmark, Desoto . . . . .	683.22
Lindsay Lane, Florissant . . . . .	326.96
Mt. Carmel, Ellsinore . . . . .	572.50
Mt. Olive, Salem. . . . .	600.00
Moselle, Moselle . . . . .	675.00
New Testament, Sullivan . . . . .	3,079.00
Oak Hill, Alton. . . . .	853.64
Oak Ridge, Cassville . . . . .	1,455.00
Ozark Heights, Potosi . . . . .	272.00
Pleasant Grove, Caledonia . . . . .	30.00
Stony Point, Mineral Point . . . . .	2,332.78
Temple, Belgrade . . . . .	1,200.00
Zalma, Zalma . . . . .	2,405.76
Zion, St. Louis . . . . .	600.00
MMB Paper . . . . .	30.00
Insurance Refunds from Insurance Co. . . . .	5,718.72

Camp Garwood Ins. Payment .....	6,085.29	
BMA Loan Fund Ins. Payment .....	<u>2,028.43</u>	
<b>Total Received .....</b>		<b>\$ <u>48,014.89</u></b>
<b>Total Available .....</b>		<b>\$ 80,747.78</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Director: Salary .....	\$ 8,450.00	
Director: Expenses .....	530.32	
Advisory Committee Expenses .....	1,968.26	
BMA Seminary Repair Fund .....	3,000.00	
Fees.....	31.25	
Web Master & Domain Fee .....	1,477.22	
Insurance Payments .....	15,860.87	
Matt Barker Support, Nixa, MO .....	<u>200.00</u>	
<b>Total Expenses:.....</b>		<b>\$ <u>32,035.78</u></b>
<b>Checking Account Balance September 30, 2020 .....</b>		<b>\$ 48,712.00</b>
<b>Savings Account</b>		
<b>Balance October 1, 2019.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,101.04</b>	
Income: Interest .....	<u>0.21</u>	
<b>Savings Account Balance September 30, 2020 .....</b>		<b>\$ 1,101.25</b>
<b>BMAMS Revolving Loan Investment</b>		
Balance October 1, 2019.....	\$105,152.98	
Income: Interest .....	<u>2,258.58</u>	
<b>BMAMS Revolving Loan Investment</b>		
<b>Balance 9/30/2019 .....</b>		<b><u>107,411.56</u></b>
<b>Total in all accounts September 30, 2020 .....</b>		<b>\$157,224.81</b>

## Missionary Committee Meeting

The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri Missionary Committee met at Zion Missionary Baptist Church of St. Louis, Missouri on October 10, 2020.

Bro. Jerry Adams led in opening prayer.

The meeting was called to order by our chairman, Bro. Claude Evans. There were fifteen Committeemen present.

The Special Missions Committee minutes were called for. Bro. James Hoffman read the recommendations from the Special Missions Committee. They are as follows:

1. We recommend that Bro. Ben Kingston serve as Missions Director with a salary of \$650.00 per month with \$200.00 of that designated for clerical help,
2. We recommend that Bro. Don Burke serve as Assistant Missions Director.
3. We recommend that the outgoing Missions Director, Bro. James Hoffman be paid \$600.00 per month to assist or train Bro. Ben Kingston for a three month transition period beginning in October 2020.

Motion and second to accept the recommendations to present to Associational Body. Motion Carried.

The Missions Director Report was called for and given by Bro. James Hoffman.

Motion and second to approved the adoption of the report. Motion Carried.

Election of Special Missions Committee committeemen. Bro. Dale Fish offered his resignation on Special Missions Committee. Nominations were called for.

Bro. Mike Hurst was nominated to replace Bro. Ben Kingston, term ending 2026. Bro. Bryan Buckley was nominated to replace Bro. Dale Fish, term ending 2023. Bro. Don Burke was nominated to replace himself, term ending 2027.

There were no other nominations. These three men were elected.

The organization of Missionary Committee Officers for the 2020-2021 year was called for.

Motion and second to retain the present officers. Motion carried.

The officers are as follows:

1. Chairman: Bro. Claude Evans
2. Assistant Chairman: Bro. Dennis Baker
3. Clerk: Bro. Russell Chitwood
4. Assistant Clerk: Bro. Dan Wisely

Motion and second that we give Bro. James Hoffman a standing vote of appreciation for his years of service as Missions Director. Motion Carried.

Motion and second that we give our new Missions Director and Clerk one month's salary Christmas Bonus. Amended to include outgoing director, Bro. James Hoffman, who will still be working through the transition with the new director. Motion Carried.

Motion and second to adjourn. Motion Carried. We were led in closing prayer by Bro. Ben Kingston.

— *Bro. Claude Evans, Chairman; Bro. Russell Chitwood, Clerk*

## **Special Missions Committee Minutes**

The Special Missions Committee of the BMA of Missouri met September 9, 2020 at Perryville, MO. The following recommendations were approved to submit to the Missionary Committee of the BMA of MO for consideration at the annual meeting October 10, 2020 at Zion Baptist Church in St. Louis.

1. We recommend Bro. Ben Kingston serve as the Missions Director at a salary of \$650 a month with \$200 of that designated for clerical help.
2. We recommend Bro. Don Burke serve as Assistant Director of Missions.
3. We recommend that outgoing Director, Bro. James Hoffmann, be paid \$600 a month to assist (train) Bro. Kingston for a three-month transition period starting in October 2020.

## **Missouri Missionary Baptist Editor's Annual Report 2020**

Another year has rolled by and our plans this time last year have not been carried out due to many various reasons. We were not able to have our mid-year meeting due to the pandemic and instead of having a new editor the same old fellow is putting out the paper each month! I do not mind serving as editor but was hoping to let someone else enjoy this ministry, but God had other plans.

As I continue in this position it is my desire to try to make some changes that will help our circulation during this next year. Your help is always appreciated.

I will continue to seek someone with an interest in this ministry that we can train and eventually elect as editor.

In the year ahead I hope to revise our mailing list for each church. This will take the cooperation of someone in each church who will help keep people and addresses up to date. If you are interested in helping let me know.

I am also looking into the possibility of sending each monthly issue by e-mail to those who would prefer receiving it in that manner. More about that in the future.

I appreciate all our reporters and article contributors who help us keep our readers informed about what God is doing across the BMA of Missouri and all our supporters who keep the offerings coming allowing us to pay the expenses of this ministry. Thank you for your support.

Please pray that we will be wise stewards of all that God gives us to work with in His kingdom.

— James Hoffmann, Editor

## Missouri Missionary Baptist Annual Financial Report October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020

<b>Balance, October 1</b> .....	<b>\$2,756.90</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Amity .....	\$360.00
Bates Creek, Potosi .....	200.00
Berean, Festus .....	669.73
Bethany .....	180.13
Bethesda .....	245.33
Bethlehem .....	720.00
Black Creek, Poplar Bluff .....	50.00
Briar .....	240.00
Faith, St. Charles .....	200.00
First, Matthews .....	300.00
Kewanee .....	2,400.00
Landmark .....	250.00
Lower Doe Run .....	195.00
Mt. Olive .....	960.00
New Testament .....	1,540.00
Oak Hill .....	1,100.00
Ohlman .....	800.00
Ozark Heights .....	240.00
Parkview, Arnold .....	1,000.00
Providence .....	120.00
Stony Point .....	699.83
Temple .....	1,200.00
Zalma .....	655.81
Zion .....	1,061.00
Landmark, DeSoto WMA .....	45.00
Meramec Association .....	1,500.00
Gifts & Subscriptions .....	<u>2,196.00</u>
<b>Total Received</b> .....	<b>\$19,127.83</b>
<b>Total Available</b> .....	<b>\$21,884.73</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Printing . . . . .	\$2,220.00
Postage . . . . .	3,664.45
Editor, Salary . . . . .	10,400.00
Internet Service . . . . .	823.53
Returned Postage. . . . .	.60.00
All Mail Mailing Service . . . . .	1,484.70
In Design Program. . . . .	251.88
Office Expenses. . . . .	<u>568.84</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b> . . . . .	<b><u>19,473.40</u></b>
<b>Balance, September 30, 2018</b> . . . . .	<b>\$2,411.33</b>

*As of September 30, 2020 these funds are in Commerce Bank Checking Account, Wentzville, MO.*

## Camp Garwood 2020 Annual Report

Sooo, here is my report on our camp that didn't happen. Not having camp wasn't an easy decision. It wasn't a popular decision. But it was the right decision.

We could work around the crowded tabernacle. We could work around the crowded dining hall. We could deal with recreation time and the canteen crowds. But our real trouble was bed time. We couldn't risk the seriousness of the virus by packing the dorms at night.

We did have one group bring their youth to camp for their own "camp week." Faith, St. Charles brought about 25 folks. They had train rides, Paintball, and a float trip with services every evening. I think everyone had a good time. They were mostly folks who had never been to camp, but I expect they will be back.

Actually their coming to camp was proof that our decision was the right one. On Monday following camp week one of their adults tested positive for Covid.

If we had camp we would've had to inform everyone. It would have been the negative publicity we were trying to avoid.

This has been a trying year in many ways. We didn't get a lot accomplished this summer. I guess you could say we are slacking. I certainly feel like we've been slacking.

We do have a few projects started. We are reworking the slide, adding a fan to the boys' dorm, building an axe throwing station, Kewanee is building an archery range. The Bethel Trail Life boys are treating the train cars. They have one done and it looks great. Matthews Trail Life troop is treating the tabernacle fence.

The list is longer than that, it's actually endless. Everytime I go to camp I find more things I'd like to do. Along with things I know need to be done.

You'll notice on the financial report that we are feeling the absence of camp week. Giving has steadily dropped off over the summer. And we didn't get the big boost from funds coming in with the churches on camp week. We also didn't have the camp week expenses. If you saw my FB posts our monies received was a third of last year's, while our disbursements were half of last years'. Bro. Hoffman, Bro. Baker and others asked how we were doing. I knew our deposits were down but I also knew we weren't spending money except on the regular bills and making loan payments. We probably should have cut back the amount on the loan payments. I was just focused on getting it off the books.

We were making regular deposits; they just weren't as much. In 2019 we had 42 contributors; that fell to 24 this year. 2019 we received \$70K; in 20 it was \$28K.

But our expenses fell also. In 19 we spent \$69K; in 20 it was \$32K. The Electric dropped almost \$3K.

You may ask, (I did), with no retreats, no camp and no food, why or how did we still spend \$32K? \$8,500 loan, \$6,000 Insurance, \$5,000 Electric. After the meeting last year we paid our remaining compensation \$1800. And we have paid half of this year's compensation, \$1,800. So that leaves about \$8K that was spent on phone, air evac, a little mileage, and supplies from projects we had started pre pandemic.

The camp account currently has \$3,510.49

This has been a trying year starting with our church van crash in February. Then came the virus with so much uncertainty, riots and racial tensions, all packed in a very polarizing presidential election. When I think back at the van crash in February it seems like it was years ago and at the same time, I'm giving this report feeling like, "Where has the year gone?"

In all this craziness one thing is clear, 2020 will soon be history and all this will fit perfectly into HIS story, which is our theme for camp next year. Dustin Wisely will be our speaker. Camp will be July 26-30 in 2021.

But be watching for other dates to pop up because I'm looking forward to having a retreat, a day camp, a work day, something, anything.

Thanks to Bro. Brad Miller we are now set up for camp registration to be done online only. We also have a paypal account to help individuals support camp.

Thank you for the support and prayers. We still love the ministry and serving through Camp Garwood.

— Chris Polk, Camp Director

*(See page 38-39 for the Camp Annual Financial Report.)*

**WMA Annual Report**  
**51st Annual Meeting**  
**Missouri State Women's Missionary Auxiliary**  
**Ohlman Baptist Church, Bunker, MO**  
**March 7, 2020**

The 51st annual meeting of the Missouri State Women's Missionary Auxiliary met with Ohlman Missionary Baptist Church in Bunker, MO on Saturday, March 7 at 10:00 a.m. Bro Van Widger and Sis. Kari Hartlein led the congregation in singing "Won't It Be Wonderful There" and "Standing on the Promises." After prayer by Sis. Sharon Page, the Brotherhood left for their meeting.

Sis. Janet Widger gave the Welcome for Ohlman. Gifts were presented to the President, Sis. Barbara Williams. The response was given by Sis. Ladonna Baker from Zion.

After Sis. Barb welcomed our visitors, she gave a devotional using II Kings 5:1-15, Mission Positive.

The meeting was called to order for business by President Barbara Williams. She called for the reading of the Secretary's report. It was read by Assistant Secretary Sara Buckley. Report approved as read.

Treasurer Connie Reifsteck gave the Treasurer's report. After motion and second was made, there was discussion and the motion carried.

Sis. Carolyn Meade (Bible and Tract Distributor) and Sis. Tracy Goede (Historian) gave verbal reports. Their reports were accepted by a motion and second. Carried.

Assistant Youth Promoter Terri Adams reported on meetings coming up for the GMA. April 3-4, 2020 will be the State GMA House party (Friday evening) and State Meeting on Saturday at First Baptist Church in Potosi, MO. The State GMA Retreat will be July 10-11, 2020 at Camp Garwood. A motion and second made to accept verbal report. Carried.

The Ladies Retreat report was given by committee member, Ladonna Baker. This year's retreat will be September 11-12, 2020, at the Drury Inn in Arnold, MO. Speakers will be Sis. Pat Quesenbury and Sis. Fran Hoover. A motion and second made to accept report. Carried.

New Officers for 2020-2021:

President: Sis. Sharon Page - Landmark

First Vice President: Sis. Ruth Gibson - Stony Point

Second Vice President: Sis. Kari Hartlein - First Matthews.

Secretary: Sis. Norma Womble – Zion

Assistant Secretary: Sis. Sara Buckley – Bates Creek

Treasurer: Sis. Connie Reifsteck – Zion

Assistant Treasurer: Sis. Juanita May – Ohlman

Bible and Tract Distributor: Sis. Carolyn Meade – Lower Doe Run

Historian: Sis. Tracy Goede – Zion

Youth Promoter: Sis. Lisa Cox – Kewanee

Assistant Youth Promoter: Sis. Terri Adams – Kewanee

Since the National WMA will meet in Springfield, MO in 2022, a motion and second made that the President, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President serve a three-year term. This motion carried.

Sis. Amy Asher of Loyalty Baptist Church in Sparta, IL was elected to serve through 2020 on the Retreat Committee. Other Retreat Committee members are Ladonna Baker (Zion) 2021 and Dottie Steelman (Ohlman) 2022.

2020-2021 Advisory Council: Bro. Dan Wisely - Kewanee; Bro. Dennis Baker - Zion; Bro. Claude Evans - Stony Point

Motion and second to suspend business until after lunch. Carried. Prayer by Sis. Connie Reifsteck.

The men returned for the morning message. Bro. Van Widger led the congregation in singing "Safe In the Arms of Jesus."

Sis. Janet Widger spoke about the National WMA work. '

Prayer by Bro. Troy Sisk. Sis. Juanita May sang "Our Amazing God"

The annual message was delivered by Bro. Terry Sharpe. Scripture reading from Proverbs 27:17, "Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend."

Sis. Barb gave Bro. Terry hand of appreciation for the message.

Motion and second to adjourn until 1:00. Sis. Carolyn Meade prayed asking blessing on the noon meal.

After a delicious lunch prepared by host church Bro. Van Widger led in singing "Jesus Saves" with Sis. Kari Hartlein at the piano. Sis. Barb led in prayer.

As business resumed, the Resolutions Report was read by Sis. Ruth Gibson. Motion and second and carried to approve, and a rising vote of appreciation was given to the host church.

Final registration report given: 16 churches represented; 17 messengers; 36 visitors; 53 total present.



Final finance reported an offering of \$207.00 and \$25.00 for the 2019 project. Motion and second made to accept registration and finance report. Carried.

The 2020-2021 State WMA Project: 50% Missouri Missionary Baptist Paper, 20% Expenses for 2022 National WMA meeting, 30% General Fund.

The 2021 State WMA meeting will go to Landmark Missionary Baptist Church in DeSoto, MO on March 6, 2021. Annual speaker will be picked by host church.

A motion and second made to give a \$200.00 love offering to Sis. Lisa Cox and daughter, Caitlin, for their upcoming mission trip. Carried.

Sis. Terri Adams presented the program on "Mission - Possible" using scriptures Matthew 19:26 and Philippians 4:13.

The new officers were recognized by Sis. Terri Adams and Sis. Barbara Williams. Announcements and prayer requests were called for. A motion and second to adjourn. Carried. Sis. Janet Widger led in the dismissal prayer.

— Sharon Page, *President*; Norma Womble, *Secretary*

### **2020 Resolutions Report**

In light of the world condition with sin increasing every day, be it resolved:

We encourage each lady to pray for our country

For our moral standards

For the upcoming election of our President

Of all members of Congress

Revelation 22:20b "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

— *Humbly submitted, Ruth Gibson (Stony Point), Connie Reifsteck (Zion)*

## **Brotherhood Annual Report**

**October, 2020**

The annual meeting of the Brotherhood Auxiliary was held March 7, 2020 at Ohlman Baptist Church, Bunker, Missouri. The attendance was 17, representing 9 churches. The offering was \$88.00. Bro. Roy Callahan Treasurer's Report showed a balance of \$492.56.

Officers elected for the 2020-2021 associational year were: Bro. Dennis Baker, President, and Bro. Roy Callahan, Secretary/Treasurer.

Bro. Dennis Baker gave a devotional from Ezra 1:1-4, The Providence of God, Proclamation of Cyrus for Building the Temple. Three spiritual truths that can be learned from Cyrus's decree to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem are 1) God is faithful to His Word, 2) God is in control of the nations, and 3) People don't have to be Christians for God to use them.

A vote was taken and approved to continue having a Brotherhood retreat once a year on the first weekend of May. The 2020 retreat was scheduled for May 1 & 2 with activities including Corn Hole and Yard Golf competition.

There was good interest for supporting the Brotherhood program with some churches committing to contribute an offering of \$10,000.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions the Brotherhood Retreat for the year 2020 was cancelled! Hopefully, we will be able to schedule a retreat the first weekend in May 2021.

Pray for the Brotherhood Auxiliary of the BMA of Missouri!

— *Dennis Baker, President*

## Brotherhood Annual Financial Report October 12, 2019 – October 10, 2020

Balance brought forward .....	\$ 425.56
<b>Deposits</b>	
State Brotherhood .....	\$ 94.00
Washington Co. Brotherhood .....	<u>61.00</u>
<b>Balance</b> .....	<b>\$ 155.00</b>
<b>Total Funds</b> .....	<b>\$670.56</b>
<b>Withdrawals</b>	
<i>*No withdrawals due to Coronavirus</i>	
<b>Balance</b> .....	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Balance Total</b> .....	<b>\$670.56</b>

*\* Actually the amount of \$607.56 was given here in the original report approved by the Association. The clerk has taken the liberty to correct what appears to be a typographical error in order to make the mathematics work.*

## Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund Annual Report 2020

A Repeat of Last Year's Report:

In an effort to help preachers further their education at our Seminary in Jacksonville, Texas, the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri have offered financial help through grants from the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Grant Fund. This is available to preachers who would like to attend classes on the campus or to those who need to use what is offered online.

I encourage any of our preachers who are interested in improving their knowledge of God's Word and in learning how to apply themselves to ministry to contact the Seminary and see what is available for you. You can contact someone who can help you by calling the Seminary at 903-586-2501 or by e-mailing them at [bmats@bmats.edu](mailto:bmats@bmats.edu).

Once you go through the process of enrollment, you can contact me to get assistance with the cost of taking the courses and purchasing the books and other related expenses. You can read about this fund and how it is managed on page 13 of our 2018 Minute Book. It is #4 under Article VII - Committees.

As Editor of our State Paper, The Missouri Missionary Baptist, it has become my responsibility to keep track of this fund over the years. It has been a joy to work with men who have taken advantage of this program.

Thanks to those who are aware of the need for this ministry and who support it as possible. If you have any questions please let me know and I will be happy to help in whatever way I can.

No income or expense this year:

As you can see from the financial report on the back of this report, there were no donors to, nor applicants for help from this fund.

*— James Hoffmann, Treasurer*

**Kenneth Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund  
Annual Financial Report  
October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020**

Balance: October 1, 2019 .....	\$12,021.43
Total Received .....	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total Available .....	\$12,021.43
Total Expenses .....	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance September 30, 2020 .....	\$ 12,021.43

*Funds are in the Missouri Missionary Baptist Paper account.*

**Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Program  
Annual Report**

Bro. David Griggs resigned as treasurer due to health reasons. The loan committee expresses our appreciation to Bro. David Griggs for his faithful service.

Due to the resignation of Bro. Griggs, the officers of the committee have been reorganized. Bro. Dennis Baker will service as President/Treasurer; Bro. James Hoffmann as Vice President; Bro. Don Adams, Secretary; Bro. Brian Whitlock, Assistant Secretary; and Bro. Matt Bolen, Assistant Treasurer.

With the approval of the recommended change to the bylaws of the loan committee, the loan program of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri will be able to provide financial resources to local churches so they can grow their worship and educational opportunities.

The committee will be investigating available resources that will enable the loan program to maximize the rate of return of financial assets. It is the vision of the loan program to grow our financial assets so that we can provide greater financial resources that will enable the churches and departments of the BMA of Missouri to grow their ministries.

Church treasurers please mail contributions to Dennis Baker, 5146 Darkmoor Lane, Imperial, MO 63052.

Please prayerfully consider including the loan program in your church's monthly budget.

*– Dennis Baker, President/Treasurer*

**Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Program  
Annual Financial Report  
October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020**

Balance as of October 1, 2019 .....	\$341,114.90
<b>Offerings Received</b>	
Bethany .....	\$ 453.00
Bethesda-Park Hills .....	99.68

Bethlehem-Doniphan (Grant Fund) . . . . .	400.00	
Camp Garwood-Loan Payments . . . . .	9,000.00	
Mt Zion-Poplar Bluff . . . . .	70.10	
Ohlman-Bunker . . . . .	120.00	
Pathway-Loan Payments . . . . .	3,000.00	
Stony Point-Mineral Point . . . . .	966.38	
Unknown . . . . .	200.12	
Zalma-Zalma . . . . .	150.00	
Zion-St Louis . . . . .	<u>390.00</u>	
<b>Total</b> . . . . .		<b>\$14,849.28</b>
<b>Interest</b>		
Checking . . . . .	\$ 4.07	
CD's . . . . .	<u>2,867.29</u>	
<b>Total</b> . . . . .		<b>\$2,871.36</b>
<b>Payable Accrual</b>		
Committee Meeting Lunch/ Dennis Baker . . . . .	\$ (131.34)	
<b>Total</b> . . . . .		<b>\$(131.34)</b>
<b>Paid Out</b>		
Brotherhood Insurance . . . . .	\$(2,028.43)	
Camp Garwood Loan . . . . .	(9,000.00)	
Pathway Loan . . . . .	<u>(3,000.00)</u>	
<b>Total</b> . . . . .		<b>\$(14,028.43)</b>
<b>Balance as of September 30, 2019.</b> . . . . .		<b>\$344,675.77</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Checking* . . . . .	\$40,199.15	
<b>Total Checking</b> . . . . .		<b>\$40,199.15</b>
<b>CDs Commercial Bank</b>		
Commercial Bank CD 13999 . . . . .	\$12,190.15	
Commercial Bank CD 14833 . . . . .	14,207.10	
Commercial Bank CD 15175 . . . . .	47,079.29	
Commercial Bank CD 16487 . . . . .	16,463.51	
Commercial Bank CD 16589 . . . . .	46,962.28	
Commercial Bank CD 16878 . . . . .	14,547.53	
Commercial Bank CD 17060 . . . . .	6,392.38	
Commercial Bank CD 17237 . . . . .	29,861.20	
Commercial Bank CD 17251 . . . . .	33,304.68	
US Bank CD . . . . .	<u>67,189.84</u>	
<b>Total CD's</b> . . . . .		<b>\$288,197.96</b>
<b>Payable Accrual</b>		
Committee Meeting Lunch/Dennis Baker . . . . .	\$(131.34)	
<b>Total</b> . . . . .		<b>\$(131.34)</b>
<b>Notes Receivable</b>		
Camp Garwood . . . . .	\$6,500.00	
Pathway, Raymore . . . . .	<u>9,910.00</u>	
<b>Total</b> . . . . .		<b>\$16,410.00</b>
<b>Total Assets</b> . . . . .		<b>\$344,675.77</b>

\* Includes Grant Fund

**Grant Fund**

<b>Balance October 1, 2019</b> .....	<b>\$3,563.70</b>
<b>Offerings</b>	
Designated .....	\$. 400.00
90% Undesignated .....	<u>2,204.35</u>
<b>Total Offerings</b> .....	<b>\$2,604.35</b>
<b>Paid Out</b>	
<b>Total Paid Out</b> .....	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Grant Fund Balance September 30, 2020</b> .....	<b>\$6,168.05</b>

**Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Program  
Committee Minutes**

The Loan Committee met on September 5, 2020 at the Grecian Steakhouse in Sikeston. Those present were Dennis Baker, Don Adams, Matt Bolen, Brian Whitlock and Jim Hoffman.

Bro. David Griggs submitted his resignation as Treasurer. There was a motion and second to accept his resignation. Motion was carried.

There was a motion and second to give Bro. Griggs \$1000 to show our appreciation for all his hard work over these years as our treasurer. Motion carried.

There was a motion and second to elect Bro. Dennis Baker as the new Treasurer. Bro. Dennis will also serve as the President. Motion was carried.

- The officers are as follows:
- President – Dennis Baker
  - Vice President – Jim Hoffman
  - Secretary – Don Adams
  - Assistant Secretary – Brian Whitlock
  - Treasurer – Dennis Baker
  - Assistant Treasurer – Matt Bolen

These officers will serve for 5 years.

We gave a vote of appreciation to Bro. Dennis for his faithful work with this loan committee.

**ALIVE Ministries Financial Report  
2019 Financial Report  
as of January 6, 2020**

<b>Beginning Balance 3-26-19</b> .....	<b>\$8,054.29</b>
<b>Deposits</b>	
12/5 - Registrations .....	\$2,599.00
12/30 - Registrations .....	11,805.00
1/6 – Cash .....	<u>30.00</u>
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$14,434.00</b>

**Withdrawals**

3/26 – Acapulco Restaurant Perryville . . . . .	\$135.00
8/28 – Check #524-Museum Holdings . . . . .	500.00
8/28 – Check #525-Regelio Mesia (Painter) . . . . .	300.00
10/14 – Check #526-Brad Miller (Website). . . . .	300.00
12/17 – Check #527-Museum Holdings . . . . .	4,000.00
12/31 – Check #528-Carson Bray . . . . .	3,500.00
12/31 – Check #529-Legacy Printing . . . . .	2,072.45
12/31 – Check #530-Micah Powell. . . . .	2,000.00
12/31 – Check #531-Tom Naes . . . . .	300.00
12/31 – Check #532-Jesus Painter Ministries . . . . .	2,332.37
12/31 – House Account debit . . . . .	<u>685.35</u>
<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>\$16,125.17</b>
<b>Beginning Balance</b> . . . . .	<b>\$ 8,054.29</b>
+ Total Deposits . . . . .	<u>14,434.00</u>
	<b>\$22,488.29</b>
- Total Withdrawals . . . . .	<u>16,125.17</u>
<b>Balance</b> . . . . .	<b>\$6,363.12</b>

	2017	2018	2019
T-Shirts . . . . .	\$2,798.75	\$3,549.90	\$2,072.45
Band/Sound. . . . .	3,250.00	4,500.00	3,500.00
Speaker . . . . .	1,500.00	3,120.00	2,000.00
Entertainment . . . . .	2,100.00	5,018.82	2,632.37
Recreation . . . . .	3,059.00	2,700.00	4,500.00

## Recording Secretary’s Annual Financial Report October 1, 2019 – October 1, 2020

<b>Beginning Balance</b> . . . . .	<b>\$1,022.66*</b>
<b>Funds Received</b>	
Offerings (Oct 1 – May 1) . . . . .	\$2,555.00
Offerings (May 1 – Oct 1) . . . . .	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Funds Received</b> . . . . .	<b><u>2,555.00</u></b>
<b>Funds Available</b> . . . . .	<b>\$3,577.66</b>
<b>Expenses (Oct 1 – May 1)</b>	
Don Burke (clerk hire). . . . .	\$1,300.00
Bank Statement Fee (7 mths). . . . .	35.00
<b>Expenses (May 1 – Oct 1)</b>	
Trumpet Printing (minutes) . . . . .	\$1,539.00
Post Office (mail minutes) . . . . .	85.14
Bank Statement Fee (5 mths). . . . .	<u>25.00</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b> . . . . .	<b><u>\$2,984.14</u></b>
<b>Ending Balance (April 30)</b> . . . . .	<b>\$ 593.52</b>

*\*A typographical error in last year’s report mistakenly showed this amount as \$1,022.22.*

# Camp Garwood Annual Report 2020

Church	General	Food	Insurance	Total
Receipts				
BETHEL (SIKESTON)	5,154.90	-	-	5,154.90
BETHESDA	130.00	-	-	130.00
CAME CREEK	7,082.57	-	-	7,082.57
CAME CREEK YIH	450.00	-	-	450.00
DEW (Dollar Each Week)	1,542.85	-	-	1,542.85
FIRST MATTHEWS	250.00	-	-	250.00
FIRST MATTHEWS WMA	400.00	-	-	400.00
KEWANEE	3,600.00	-	-	3,600.00
LOWER DOE RUN	516.38	-	-	516.38
LOYALTY	600.00	-	-	600.00
MT OLIVE	600.00	-	-	600.00
OAK HILL	253.64	-	-	253.64
OHLMAN	1,680.00	-	-	1,680.00
PROVIDENCE	300.00	-	-	300.00
STONY POINT	799.83	-	-	799.83
WASHINGTON CO WMA	90.00	-	-	90.00
ZALMA	322.86	-	-	322.86
ZION	1,530.00	360.00	-	1,890.00
INTEREST CHECK ACCT.	4.52	-	-	4.52
KAREN MAGEE	750.00	-	-	750.00
LIZ PARKER	30.00	-	-	30.00
PANCAKE BREAKFAST	1,704.00	-	-	1,704.00
SCRAP	181.26	-	-	181.26
IN MEMORY OF LARRY HARRISON	100.00	-	-	100.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED</b>	<b>28,072.81</b>	<b>360.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>28,432.81</b>
Disbursements				
OZARK BORDER ELEC COOP	4,964.28	-	-	4,964.28
ELLINGTON TELEPHONE CO	430.52	-	-	430.52
EXCEL (LONG DISTANCE)	208.59	-	-	208.59

Church	General	Food	Insurance	Total
CHRIS POLK (MILES)	2,663.84	-	-	2,663.84
CHRIS POLK (COMPENSATION) 2019	1,800.00	-	-	1,800.00
CHRIS POLK(COMPENSATION) 2020	1,800.00	-	-	1,800.00
AIR MED CARE NETWORK	350.00	-	-	350.00
AMAZON.COM	978.92	-	-	978.92
BIG SPRING AUTO PARTS	67.83	-	-	67.83
CAPE WINAIR	432.79	-	-	432.79
CRAFTON FARM & HOME	231.05	-	-	231.05
FIRST STATE BANK(BANK CHARGES)	25.00	-	-	25.00
GRAFFE AUCTION	350.52	-	-	350.52
GRASSHAM LUMBER	30.51	-	-	30.51
JOT FORM	116.00	-	-	116.00
KINDER SIGNS & DESIGN	313.81	-	-	313.81
LOWES	801.90	-	-	801.90
MO MISSIONARY BAPTIST LOAN ASSOC	8,500.00	-	-	8,500.00
ORSCHELN	151.45	-	-	151.45
PEDDLERS ANTIQUE MALL	212.93	-	-	212.93
RHODES 101	30.40	-	-	30.40
TAPATIO	85.22	-	-	85.22
TRACTOR SUPPLY	360.58	-	-	360.58
SAM'S	460.79	-	-	460.79
WAL-MART	176.71	137.48	-	314.19
DEEP FRYER	350.00	-	-	350.00
BROTHERHOOD MUTUAL	-	-	-	-
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	25,432.85	598.27	6,085.29	32,116.41
BALANCE FORWARD	7,194.09	0.00	0.00	7,194.09
TOTAL RECEIVED	28,072.81	360.00	0.00	28,432.81
DISBURSEMENTS	25,432.85	598.27	6,085.29	32,116.41
BALANCE ON HAND	9,834.05	-238.27	-6,085.29	3,510.49
TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND	-6,323.56	238.27	6,085.29	0.00
ENDING BALANCE	3,510.49	0.00	0.00	3,510.49



# Annual Membership and Attendance Information Reported for 2020

Church	Membership Last Year	Present Membership	Increased by Baptisms	Increased by Other	Decreased by Death	Decreased by Other	Sunday School Enrollment	Sunday School Attendance	Average Sunday School Attendance	Average AM Worship Attendance	
Abundant Life in Christ/Charleston	21	23	2	0	0	0	-	-	12	19	
Amity, Doniphan	48	48	0	0	0	0	15	15	10	12	
Bates Creek, Potosi	33	29	0	0	0	4	29	29	24	28	
Berean, Festus	48	50	3	0	1	0	10	10	10	20	
Bethany, Saint Louis	-	28	0	2	1	0	-	-	-	15	
Bethel, Lonedell	900	909	12	3	0	6	-	-	-	-	
Bethel, Sikeston	196	194	2	3	4	3	45	45	30	60	
Bethesda Landmark, Park Hills	13	13	0	0	0	0	14	14	7	12	
Bethlehem, Doniphan	11	11	0	0	0	0	8	8	8	8	
Black Creek, Poplar Bluff	27	28	0	2	1	0	-	-	-	-	
Black River, Quin	42	34	0	0	0	8	-	-	20	20	
Bretton Creek, Potosi	17	17	0	0	0	0	17	17	11	12	
Briar, Doniphan	42	45	3	1	0	1	25	25	25	27	
Central, Union	No letter received.										
Charity Landmark, Bismarck	19	19	0	0	0	0	20	20	15	20	
Emmanuel, Sikeston	No letter received.										
Fellowship, Potosi	79	82	0	0	0	3	-	-	-	50	
First, Matthews	97	91	1	0	1	6	45	45	30	45	
First, Potosi	796	813	11	15	5	4	-	-	170	301	
Friendship, Caseyville	No letter received.										
Grandview, Springfield	No letter received.										

Church	Membership Last Year	Present Membership	Increased by Baptisms	Increased by Other	Decreased by Death	Decreased by Other	Sunday School Enrollment	Sunday School Attendance	AM Worship Attendance
Kewanee, New Madrid	210	213	1	3	1	0	-	-	-
Landmark, De Soto	88	89	0	2	1	0	-	20	35
Lighthouse, Malden	46	47	1	0	0	0	15	15	25
Lindsay Lane, Florissant	206	210	2	5	1	0	-	-	-
Lower Doe Run, Ellington	No letter received.								
Mount Carmel, Ellimore	7	7	0	0	0	0	8	8	8
Mount Olive, Salem	18	20	0	2	0	0	9	9	12
Mount Zion, Poplar Bluff	57	42	0	1	0	16	25	16	30
New Testament, Sullivan	1,172	1183	3	1	9	6	-	-	-
Oak Hill, Alton	No letter received.								
Oak Ridge, Cassville	10	11	0	3	2	0	-	11	13
Ohlman, Bunker	63	64	0	3	1	1	-	-	-
Ozark Heights, Potosi	No letter received.								
Pleasant Grove, Caledonia	No letter received.								
Providence, Puxico	No letter received.								
Springhill, Fairdealing	No letter received.								
Stony Point, Mineral Point	109	112	1	3	1	0	-	-	40
Temple, Beigrade	101	99	1	0	0	3	15	11	10
Westview, Jefferson City	85	90	3	4	1	1	-	30	55
Zalma, Zalma	4	4	0	0	0	0	5	3	3
Zion, St Louis	13	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	16

# Annual Financial Information Reported for 2020

Church	Pastor's Salary & Benefits	Other Salaries & Benefits	National BMA	State BMA	Local BMA	All Other Expenses	Total All Expenses
Abundant Life in Christi/Charleston							
Amity, Doniphan	-	No data reported.	2,335	1,049	844	5,297	8,525
Bates Creek, Potosi	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	6,000
Berean, Festus		No data reported.					
Bethany, Saint Louis	3,800	-	-	-	-	24,136	27,936
Bethel, Lonedell		No data reported.					
Bethel, Sikeston	31,636	700	8,357	2,227	4,622	60,144	107,686
Bethesda Landmark, Park Hills	-	1,685	697	334	270	5,788	8,774
Bethlehem, Doniphan	-	2,450	2,910	1,495	975	6,737	14,567
Black Creek, Poplar Bluff		No data reported.					
Black River, Quilin	7,620	200	100	708	180	10,201	19,009
Breton Creek, Potosi	21,320	200	1,080	50	50	5,294	27,994
Briar, Doniphan	8,400	-	1,719	-	3,050	18,754	31,923
Central, Union		No letter received.					
Charity Landmark, Bismarck	3,516	100	12,730	250	75	13,835	30,506
Emmanuel, Sikeston		No letter received.					
Fellowship, Potosi	24,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
First, Matthews	4,800	900	1,850	1,100	1,150	43,720	53,520
First, Potosi	-	-	46,636	375	12,242	-	-
Friendship, Caseyville		No letter received.					
Grandview, Springfield		No letter received.					

Church	Pastor's Salary & Benefits	Other Salaries & Benefits	National BMA	State BMA	Local BMA	All Other Expenses	Total All Expenses
Kewanee, New Madrid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Landmark, De Soto	6,275	-	994	744	-	22,922	30,935
Lighthouse, Malden		No data reported.					
Lindsay Lane, Florissant		No data reported.					
Lower Doe Run, Ellington		No letter received.					
Mount Carmel, Ellsinore	13,000	-	1,256	628	-	5,214	20,098
Mount Olive, Salem	-	1,350	1,310	1,370	650	9,479	14,259
Mount Zion, Poplar Bluff		No data reported.					
New Testament, Sullivan	-	-	14,364	4,599	8,206	-	-
Oak Hill, Alton		No letter received.					
Oak Ridge, Cassville	-	-	28,260	1,805	1,630	-	-
Ohlman, Bunker	25,500	1,479	2,270	2,875	485	46,310	78,919
Ozark Heights, Potosi		No letter received.					
Pleasant Grove, Caledonia		No letter received.					
Providence, Puxico		No letter received.					
Springhill, Fairdealing		No letter received.					
Stony Point Landmark, Mineral Point	29,150	-	2,693	2,333	-	-	57,357
Temple, Belgrade	7,821	-	2,400	1,275	1,300	19,792	32,589
Westview, Jefferson City	-	-	7,833	-	1,200	-	51,254
Zalma, Zalma	-	150	5,796	3,598	3,997	13,568	27,109
Zion, St Louis	4,800	-	4,729	4,601	225	12,937	27,292

## Resolutions Committee Report

Be it resolved that the churches of the BMA of Missouri:

1. Oppose all forms of abortion;
2. Oppose all principles and lifestyles of the LBGT movement;
3. To vote as Christians;
4. To stand for all Biblical Truths;
5. To support and pray for Israel;
6. To continue to support and pray for Lifeword and our BMA of America Missions program;
7. To pray for our new State Missions Director, Bro. Ben Kingston;
8. To oppose any national, state or local government that aims to take away our freedom of speech, freedom of choice, freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution and most important our freedom of worship.
9. Be it further resolved that we give a standing vote of thanks to Pastor Dennis Baker and Zion Baptist Church for hosting this meeting.

## Churches and Missions in the BMA of Missouri Listed by Name

*(Some churches have not recently reported and information may be outdated. Churches marked with a † sent no church letter this year; those with a ‡ have sent no letter for two years.)*

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- Antioch, Ellington** ..... *dropped*
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- Black Creek, Poplar Bluff** . . . . . 549 County Road 467 / PO Box 1128  
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- Emmanuel, St Louis** . . . . . *disbanded*
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	<b>Temple</b>	13938 State Hwy C
<b>Bismarck</b>	<b>Charity</b>	1324 Spruce Rd
<b>Bunker</b>	<b>Ohlman</b>	10186 Hwy 72
<b>Cassville</b>	<b>Oak Ridge</b>	16722 St Hwy 248
<b>Charleston</b>	<b>Abundant Life in Christ</b>	512 Naomi
<b>De Soto</b>	<b>Landmark</b>	1215 Boyd St
<b>Doniphan</b>	<b>Amity</b>	Old Hwy 142E & 24A
	<b>Bethlehem</b>	RR 3 Hwy U
	<b>Briar</b>	Hwy 160
<b>Ellington</b>	<b>Lower Doe Run</b>	H Hwy & 2800 County Rd 510



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